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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR § 1.53(b))

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
Xiadong Mao

FOR: **METHOD AND APPARATUS TO DETECT AND REMOVE AUDIO DISTURBANCES**

### Application Elements:

- ☒ 38 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 12 Sheets of Drawings (Informal)
- ☒ 02 Pages Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

### Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☒ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☒ Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- ☐ Other:

### Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

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BASIC FEE			\$385 \$	OR	\$770 \$770.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	44 -20 = 24		x09= \$	OR	x18 = \$432.00
INDEP CLAIMS	07 -03 = 04		x43 = \$	OR	x86 = \$344.00
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Presented			\$145 = \$	OR	\$290 = \$
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☒ The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. SONYP034).

Request for Small Entity Status

☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status.


General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. SONYP034).

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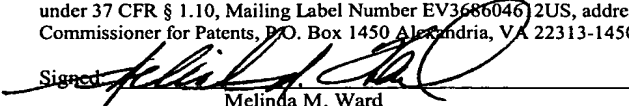
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Application No. [To be assigned]	)	
	)	Docket No.: SONYP034
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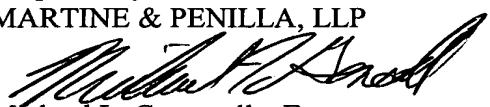
  
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REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

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Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b).

Respectfully submitted,  
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